

Since no claims are canceled, all of the named inventors are an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. There is no change of inventorship and no amendment is required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Although not required, but for the assistance of the Examiner and future reference a listing of claims readable on the Species set forth by the Examiner but not elected is as follows:

Species A (fig 5) (not elected) - Claims None

Species B (fig 6) (not elected) - Claims None

Species D (fig 11) (not elected) - Claims 3, and 19 - 25

10 Species E (fig 12) (not elected) - Claims 1 - 3, and 25

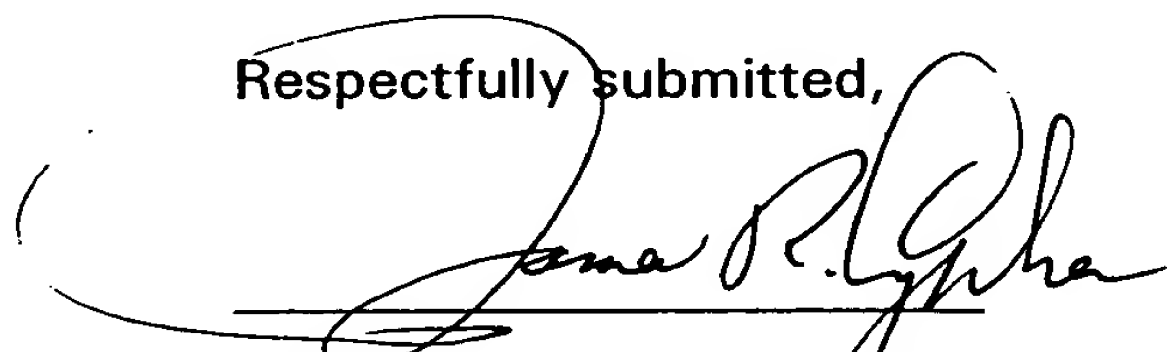
Species F (fig 13) (not elected) - Claim 25

REMARKS

No Office action on the merits has been received and Applicants submit that all actions requested by the Examiner have been taken. Applicants therefor respectfully request that the Examiner undertake an action on the merits of elected Species C and claims 1 - 25 which read thereon.

An information disclosure statement was filed May 24, 2001 and the undersigned is not aware of any patents, publications or other information believed to be material to the examination of this application, and in respect of which, there may be a duty to disclose.

Respectfully submitted,



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